



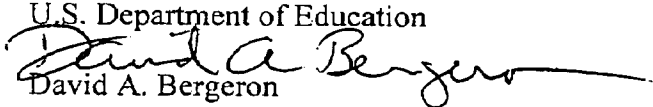
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
OFFICE OF POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION

MEMORANDUM

DATE: June 29, 2009

TO: Sharon Mar
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THROUGH: Kate Mullan
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FROM: 
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The Department of Education's (ED) Office of Postsecondary Education (OPE) respectfully requests emergency approval of the Information Collection Request (ICR) Regulations for Equity in Athletics Disclosure Act (EADA). The EADA requires every institution that participates in the Title IV HEA federal student financial assistance programs and has an intercollegiate athletic program to annually prepare a report on athletic participation, staffing, revenue and expenditures by gender, and by men's and women's teams. An institution must make the report available to students, potential students and the public upon request. An institution is required to report the information to the Department of Education via our web-based data collection application. Our web data collection historically begins mid-September each year and closes at the end of October.

ED is requesting OMB approval by September 1, 2009.

This emergency reinstatement is necessary to correct an earlier decision to discontinue 1845-0010. OPE originally concluded that 1845-0004 covered the EADA data collections and that other activity in 1845-0010 had been absorbed over the years into the NCES IPEDS collection. A closer examination reveals that the 1845-0010 was discontinued in error and indeed does cover the EADA data collections.

Emergency review of this request is necessary in order for the Department to proceed with collecting data starting September 11, 2009. Delays in conducting this web data collection would prevent the Department from providing current and prospective students access to information to assess a school's commitment to providing equitable athletic opportunities for its men and women students.

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Thank you for your prompt consideration of my request. If you have any questions, please contact Barbara Bauman of OPE at 202-219-7045 or barbara.bauman@ed.gov.